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Our New Managing Editor



C. H. WERTENBERGER

Mr. Wertenberger comes to us with fourteen years of school, publishing and mission work experience. He was born in Ohio, for which he assumes no responsibility; was

brought up on the farm for which he is truly grateful. He was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in 1899, was married the same year. The newly married couple immediately received appointment by the mission board of the Methodist Episcopal Church to school and press work in Chile, S. A. They set out on their "honeymoon" trip to that distant field of labor not to return till 1905. On their return on account of impaired health he declined appointment to Panama City as President of the English College there.

After a year's rest he accepted the presidency of Bennett Academy, Clarkson, Miss., under the auspices of the W. H. M. S. of the Methodist Church. After carrying on that work for four years he was called to the chair of Science in Meridian Male College, of Meridian, Miss., where he taught successfully for three years. His experiences in the South have caused him to be wholly in sympathy with bringing better ideals and things tangible to our Southern folks.

NEW STORY

We are this week running on page six the first installment of our new serial story, "The Land of Broken Promises." Don't miss a single line of this remarkable story.

If you are not a subscriber, subscribe now and let us send you this week's issue free.

SUCCESSFUL FARMERS

The "Meadows and Pasture" article on page three of this issue is worth any farmer's time to read and digest mentally. If we are to become successful farmers we need to look well after our grass crop.

Mothers: Do you realize how much good you are doing those little ones and yourself when you read "In the Home" column of The Citizen? Tell your neighbor a few of the good things; and they too will want The Citizen.

PRESENCE OF A FLY A DANGER SIGNAL.

THE fly has been tried and found guilty, in spite of the questionings of those who maintain the doctrine that every creature performs some useful purpose. Undoubtedly the fly does, for where there is an abundance of flies there will be flies gathered together, there will they multiply and increase. Their function today is nothing more or less than a danger signal to indicate insanitary conditions. Abolish these, and the breeding places of the flies will be eradicated. One intelligent and energetic person can start a successful movement for the extermination of the house fly in any community if he or she is resourceful and patient as well.

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Our Country Schools

What do our country schools mean to you parents? Do you attach enough importance to them to require your children to attend?

Have you given enough of your time and thought to this interest of your neighborhood?

Have you seen that a proper kind of person has been chosen as teacher?

Are you persuaded that that lack of interest on your part influences your neighbor to grow slack?

Have you forgotten how uncomfortable you were, when a child, sitting in those straight-backed, hard-seated benches with no desks?

Do you think it will be the making of your children to require them to suffer as you did?

Don't you want them to be a little better and more useful than yourself?

How about paying an occasional visit to the district school and study the conditions, and note where improvements can be made?

Are you fearful to propose something new in your school on account of extra tax?

How much are the children worth?

How much tax did you pay on that old hound and her three puppies last year?

Were you accustomed to a blackboard when you went to school?

Don't you think a few wall charts and maps might help the teacher teach?

How would a more attractive school room and school house please the children and encourage the teacher?

How would you like to be able to honestly say, "We have the best of everything in our school. We have no trouble to keep our children going every day. Our teacher is first class and we don't want to change next year. Our school is the center of interest in our county. We have changed the name of our school from Sleepy Hollow to Advanced Line. We now stand by our teacher, to a man, when he punishes one of our chaps that we have failed to manage at home. We have cut out our old custom of discussing and ——— our teacher in the presence of our children. We have made it a rule in our home to duplicate every whipping our chaps get at school; and would you believe us, we have had but few duplications thus far? Since we have become more interested in our school we stand together as neighbors against those drunks and rowdies who come down from Booze Gap and disturb our public meetings and Sunday schools that we have at our school house. We have pledged ourselves to see that our laws are executed against persons drinking or disorderly conducting themselves at all public gatherings. We are proud that we have become awakened to these new and better ways of running our country schools?"

Each one of the above questions may be answered in deed as well as in word. The result would tend toward the ideal country school. We must admit that our Kentucky country schools are much in need of improvement and no one will do it for us unless we show our desire for a radical change, and express ourselves forcefully. We dare not hold back because of the expense entailed. As good loyal citizens it is our privilege as it is our duty to forge ahead and accomplish this end; to make our country schools better; more attractive inside and outside; and to work up an enthusiasm and interest that we may be able to honestly say what we have outlined above.

Who dares to take the lead in your county? Shall we depend upon the politician whose interests are selfish, or shall we rise up in public spirit with the welfare of our children in mind and bring to pass relief for our country schools?

Roosevelt in Pittsburg

Opening of Progressive Campaign by Roosevelt, Pinchot and Dean

The opening gun of the Progressive campaign in Pennsylvania was fired at Pittsburg the eve of June 30th, with Col. Roosevelt as the principal speaker.

Mr. Hallett's question "Would I care to attend the meeting if tickets could be secured," brought a happy assent. It was well, too, that we had tickets for the street in front of Exposition Hall was thronged an hour before the time and that, too, on a hot night.

The great hall seating 4,000 was packed, seats, aisles, rear spaces and great platform were not only packed but there were some hundreds left over for an overflow meeting in Machinery Hall adjoining. Evidently the Washington Party, as the Progressives are known in Pennsylvania, is very much alive.

The issue is personal. The campaign is a fight to unseat Boies Penrose, long-time U. S. Senator and Boss of the Republican Machine. This was made apparent by a huge canvas, stretched across and above the platform on which was the famous letter from John D. Archbold of Standard Oil, to Senator Penrose arousing the fact that \$25,000 had been placed to his credit and expressing thanks for his service. Pinchot who is running for U. S. Senatorship was the first speaker, a fine, clean-cut man, a man you would trust on sight, the kind you would like to know. He spoke briefly, outlining the questions at issue. Dean Lewis of the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, the candidate for Governor, followed. He came out positively and forcefully for suf-

frage for women. He has the credit of being largely the author of the Progressive platform. A fine appearing man, who is said to know more about governmental things than most.

Then came Roosevelt. Well! You should have heard the cheering. It was wild and catching. Soon every body in that vast throng was standing, shouting, waving hats, newspapers and handkerchiefs. They cheered, then they cheered some more and the band joined in the joyous din. Finally the colonel got a hearing.

His South American jungle trip hit him hard. He has lost thirty pounds in weight at least and no longer carries the very robust air, that speaks of fitness for the strenuous life. Moreover, his voice is perceptibly affected, so that his sentences no longer ring out like a pistol shot. Several times his voice became husky and it was with effort that he spoke.

The address was an attack on Penrose and bossism, with criticisms of President Wilson and the Democrats for the tariff act, the depression in business, their attitude towards the trusts and railroads, and their foreign policy.

These criticisms were positively asserted but not at all detailed. The impression left was that of a vague, ill-defined dissatisfaction. Possibly he preferred to leave the State party leaders free to formulate their own particular issues. In his attack, however, on Penrose there was no vagueness.

His appearance was that of a man who needed recuperation and who

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UNITED STATES NEWS IN OUR OWN STATE

Noted Man Dies

Col. James W. Pender died in El Paso, Texas, July 1st. Col. Pender was chief of artillery under Gen. Longstreet. He fired the first gun at the battle of Gettysburg and built the first railroad across the Andes.

Full Time at the Ford Plant

13,000 men are now employed at the Ford plant according to a statement made by Supt. John R. Lee; who also explains that thirty days ago thousands of incapables were laid off. These were hired by Mr. Ford last winter, in order to provide labor for the unemployed. They were found to be too lazy to work.

Rockefellers in Peril

It is thought that the bomb explosion, which wrecked the tenement at 1626 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City on Saturday, was intended for John D. Rockefeller, Jr., but accidentally exploded in the factory. By the bungling of some one, who was preparing an infernal machine for its mission, halted a demonstration that was planned against possibly the entire Rockefeller family in Tarrytown.

U. S. Gold Poured into Mexico

Within the last nine months more than \$1,000,000 in gold has gone into rebel coffers. This money has come from Eastern sources alone; and has been honestly applied up to the time of the breach between Carranza and Villa. Just how it is used since the break "quien sabe."

Bad Forest Fire in Indiana

The northeast part of Brown Co. covering an area of five square miles, was devastated by forest fire on the 5th, inst. A number of farm houses were destroyed. The village of Georgetown, of 100 people, was threatened. The hill country of Brown Co. is noted for its summer homes.

Automobile Disaster at Washington, Ohio

Two young women met death and two young men probably fatally injured. The accident occurred when one of the young men attempted to give wheel over to his companion. Before she could get control of the machine, it was overturned into a ditch with the above results. The dead are Edith Pfeiffer, 22; Hazel Pfeiffer, 24. The injured are Virgil Bryant, 28 and Darius Cleary, 24.

Auto Accidents Kill Five

Four persons were killed near Chicago, Ill., when auto collided with a Burlington train. It happened on an unprotected crossing. One man was killed on the shore of Lake Geneva when the auto turned turtle. Among the passengers was Miss Mena Dunne, daughter of Gov. Dunne, who gave first aid to the unfortunate ones in the crash.

Mysterious Murder

The Long Island tragedy of the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey in the office of Dr. Edwin Carman is still a mystery. Authorities strongly hold that a woman is the murderer and perhaps a member of the Carman family.

Failure of Mediators

The mediators left Niagara Falls Friday, the 2nd, after a fruitless session of six weeks in search of a solution for the Mexican situation. They think all that can be done is to organize and establish a provisional government in Mexico. This was their opinion when they went to Niagara Falls and seems to be the prevailing opinion of the people at large.

BLAZE STARTED BY CIGARETTE.

Dalton, Ga.—The historic town of Resacca, Ga., 15 miles south of here, was visited by a fire which licked up everything in its path from the railroad station to the river, a distance of a quarter of a mile. The loss is estimated at \$30,000, with insurance of about \$7,000. The fire started in the depot and is thought to have resulted from a cigarette. The Davis Lumber Co.'s plant was completely destroyed, this company's loss being \$15,000.

Perry County's Boom

The Perry Co. coal fields are creating much comment and interest. The operating companies are counting on extending their workings; while new companies have come into the field. They report twelve companies now around Hazard and eight of them are now shipping coal. The L. & N. railroad intends to build more short branches to the fields from Hazard.

Oil Interests Grow in Estill County

Reports come that three wells are completed and an output of 15 barrels per day which nearly comes up to the requirements of the Standard Oil Company to induce them to relay their pipe line from Torrent. Other companies expect to begin operations soon. Many thousands acres have been leased.

Biggest Blackberry Patch in the South

Oldham Co., Kentucky, lays claim to the largest Blackberry field. It is just north of LaGrange and contains forty acres of well cultivated berries. It is owned by Taylor Bros. One gathering was made of 300 gallons. The crop will be a large one in spite of the drought.

Local Option in Mason County

A Petition for an election on local option was filed at Maysville before County Judge Rice with two thousand and one hundred and forty-five signatures. This is said to be more than one half of the votes cast last November election.

A \$20,000 Burn in Louisville

Flames destroyed the large ware-rooms and lumber yard of the E. L. Hughes plant. The ware-rooms were stored with finished sashes, doors and other valuable lumber. It took place on the night of the 6th.

Death of Little Girl Caused by Automobile

At Winchester the six year old daughter of Mrs. James Hampton met her death on the 5th, inst. The mother was badly injured in the accident. It happened on the Lexington Pike when Mr. Hampton, wife and daughter stopped to adjust their motorcycle. The mother and daughter seemed to become confused at the approach of Dr. Myers' auto and stepped in front of it and resulted in the terrible accident.

Four Workmen Injured

Four workmen employed by the L. & N. Railroad; while working on the night shift in tunnel No. 4, between Ford and Winchester, were seriously injured by falling concrete which was caused by supporting timbers breaking. The victims are James B. Sams, Chester Moore, Cash Ragby and Ivan Tuggle. The injured were turned over to the company's surgeon in Richmond.

PRESS BULLETIN KENTUCKY TUBERCULOSIS COMMISSION.

The Kentucky Tuberculosis Commission at a meeting held recently authorized a plan of campaign by which they expect to cover the rural sections of approximately ten Kentucky counties with a health education campaign in a way that has not elsewhere been surpassed. The equipment for a moving picture exhibit, which was used successfully for a time last Fall, will be augmented and the entire equipment will be mounted in an automobile, so that various sections of the country off the railroads may be conveniently reached. Mr. C. H. Pumphrey, of Lancaster, has been engaged to conduct the work. The use of the moving pictures will be supplemented with slides and a descriptive lecture.

The Citizen stands ready to help the needy. Mr. Non-Subscriber you, are in need. Send in one of your dollars and your address. We will return many times its value during the year. See?

The woman who marries for money earns a lot more than she gets.

Good deeds never die, but lots of them seem to go into a trance.

FARMERS: Don't fail to see the Agricultural Special Train conducted by the College of Agriculture of Kentucky State University, described more fully on page three of this issue. Date July 15th.